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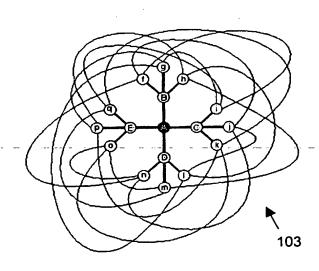
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(57) Abstract: A network, and a method and apparatus for network management are disclosed in which nodes in the network are arranged specified number of connections with other nodes by initiating links across the network tree structure to nodes on the same level in the hierarchical tree. As a result, nodes are linked to their sibling nodes in addition to being linked to parent and child nodes